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Notice From the Water Department

A recent discussion on the Foxboro Patch website has called into question the testing results for Chromium-6 in Foxborough. Chromium-6 is classified as an unregulated contaminant. Unregulated contaminants are those for which EPA, as well as the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, have not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated contaminant monitoring is to assist the EPA in determining their occurrence in drinking water and whether future regulation is warranted.

The average result of testing for Chromium-6 in Foxborough was 0.0825, with a range of *not detected* to 0.17 micrograms per liter. These samples were collected in 2014 as part of Third Unregulated Contaminant Rule, along with numerous other contaminants.

This testing and the corresponding results were included in the Consumer Confidence Report that was distributed to every customer in Foxborough. The complete table of results is available at

http://foxboroughma.gov/Pages/FoxboroughMA_Water/UCMR3%2006.16.16.pdf

These results are monitored carefully by both the EPA and the Massachusetts DEP, and are not considered to be a danger, and do not equate to any violation of either local or national standards.